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Status Inquiry

Sir:

An amendment was faxed to the USPTO on 3/27/2008 responding to the office action mailed 1/14/2008 which was marked "final". No reply has been received regarding the amendment.

MPEP 706.07(f) requires that Replies after final should be processed and considered promptly by all Office personnel.

MPEP 714.13 also states:

"An examiner is expected to turn in a response to an amendment after final rejection within 10 calendar days from the time the amendment is received by the examiner. A reply to an amendment after final rejection should be mailed within 30 days of the date the amendment is received by the Office." and "Prompt notice to applicant is important because it may avoid an unnecessary appeal

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and act as a safeguard against a holding of abandonment. Every effort should be made to mail the letter before the period for reply expires.

More than 30 days have elapsed since the amendment of 3/27/2008 was faxed to the USPTO. The examiner is requested to act on the amendment.

Should any unresolved issue remain, the examiner is invited to call applicants' attorney at the telephone number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

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